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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT : Cancellation of Covert Action Operations Course No. 71

REFERENCE : OTR Regulation No. 25-11, dated 12 January 1966

1. This memorandum requests your approval as stated in paragraph 5 below.

2. Covert Action Operations Course No. 71 is scheduled to be given from 23 January - 10 February 1967.

3. The Covert Action Operations course has been revised and incorporates suggestions from senior operational officers. The services of an outside political consultant, [REDACTED] and a consultant specialist in civic action have been tentatively arranged. A special bulletin has been issued and a special notice was sent by [REDACTED], DDP/TRO, to all CS training officers calling attention, inter alia, to the new requirement which makes the course compulsory for female CT's following the CA training program. However, only six students were registered, including two hold-over registrants, both officers of TSD, whose qualifications for the course are marginal.

4. This situation has been discussed with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
They believe the running of this course is not justified with the above number of potential students. They further agreed to call a meeting of the senior CA officers of the operating divisions to review the entire matter of CA training, and to appoint a working group to evolve new criteria and assist the Chief Instructor in designing a new course or courses to meet the CA training requirements developed by the senior CA officers' meeting. This meeting will be attended by the Chief, Headquarters Training and the Chief Instructor, CA.

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5. In light of the above it is recommended that the subject course be cancelled. The Chief Instructor, CA will be available to offer tutorial training to any registrants who may require it.

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Chief, Headquarters Training

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Director of Training

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